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## DR. LEHR ON TRIAL WHO WILL SOON BE CHAMPION AUTO STATE FOR MANSLAUGHTER

On Monday morning in Common pleas court at Wooster the case of the State of Ohio against Dr. J. W. Lehr was started with Judge L. R. Critchfield presiding. Dr. Lehr is charged with performing a criminal operation upon Margaret Hogue of Brunswick, this county.

Margaret Hogue was the first witness called by the state. She told of coming to Wooster on two different occasions with Wiley Waite, who is now serving a sentence in the Mansfield reformatory for being implicated in the affair, and of visiting the office of Dr. Lehr where she claims the criminal operation was performed. She said that the first operation was not a success so she returned with Waite a few days later and a second operation was then performed.

Miss Hogue is a modest, good-looking young girl and plainly showed her embarrassment when on the witness stand. She told her story, however, in a straightforward manner and seemed in no way confused when cross-examined by Judge Weygant.

Emma Hogue, mother of the girl, was the next witness called by the state. She promptly answered all the questions put to her in cross-examination by the defendant's attorneys. The state rested late Monday afternoon.

Among other witnesses who testified on Tuesday was Dr. Lehr, the defendant, who took the stand in his own defense. He told of the visit paid his office during the first week of last April by Attorney Frank Woods of Medina and Margaret Hogue. He said that on this occasion Mr. Woods told him that Wiley Waite was circulating the story that he (Waite) had brought Miss Hogue to Dr. Lehr's office and that a criminal operation had been performed there. Attorney Woods insisted, Dr. Lehr said, that he either go up and see Waite or write him in order to have him quit circulating such reports.

Dr. Lehr said that he denied having any connection with the affair and that he told Mr. Woods that he knew neither Wiley Waite nor Miss Hogue and that he had never seen them before.

Dr. Lehr then told of his visits to the Odenick home on the evenings of Nov. 20 and 24, the times when the two operations are claimed to have been performed. He said that on both occasions he left his office at seven o'clock and did not return until after 10 o'clock.

At the request of Prosecutor Starn Dr. Lehr's ledger, covering last November, was introduced into court.

No records could be found of Dr. Lehr's cases on the two evenings last November in question.

When the evidence was all in Judge Critchfield allowed the attorneys one and one-fourth hours of argument. Prosecuting Attorney Starn started his argument at 1:45.

The arguments of the attorneys were completed at 4 o'clock. Judge Weygant making a pathetic plea for Dr. Lehr. Court was then adjourned until 8:30 Wednesday morning when Judge Critchfield made his charge to the jury.

## MEDINA BOY SCOUTS THANKFUL TO SERVE

As scouts who have pledged themselves to be helpful to others, at all times, and to do a good turn daily, Medina boy scouts are going to take advantage of the special opportunity offered on Thanksgiving day to serve in a manner worthy and characteristic of all scouts, those who, on this day of gladness, are sick, afflicted or in need.

A scout patrol, or troop, or the scout official and scout as individuals, may be of practical service to local charities or other philanthropic organizations, or to the authorities of the church, by serving as messengers to collect and distribute fuel, food and clothing for those in need, and in this way share in the work and spirit of the day.

Scoutmaster Olds states that the local scouts stand ready for prompt service on Thanksgiving day.

## STERLING FARMER DEAD

John Graber, a farmer of Sterling, died shortly after midnight Saturday night as the result of a stroke of apoplexy, which he suffered Saturday morning. Mr. Graber was milking a cow when the attack came. He was about 70 years old.

He is survived by a wife, 3 sons and one daughter, John Daniel and Sarah who live at home and Peter, who resides in Iowa. One daughter, Anna, died two years ago.

Notice of the coming appearance of John Graber at the Probate court will recall to many the old days when Congressman Peck of Wisconsin wrote the story from which the play was dramatized in later years. Many thousands have laughed over the antics of the "bad boy."

## SUDDEN DEATH OF SEVILLE BANKER

John N. High, one of Seville's oldest and most prominent citizens and business men, died suddenly at his home at 10:30 Tuesday night from heart failure. He had been in usual good health up to the very moment he was stricken. He was president of the Seville State Bank and was at his desk all day.

The deceased was past 83 years of age. He was a member of the Presbyterian church of Seville and the oldest member of the Masonic lodge of that village, of which he was a past master. He is survived by a widow.

Funeral services will be held Friday morning at 10 o'clock from the home, conducted by Rev. C. F. Carson of the Presbyterian church. Burial will be made in the Seville cemetery.

## RECEPTION TO REV. KELSER

The Ladies' Aid society of the Methodist Episcopal church gave a reception to Rev. Philip Kelser and wife on Tuesday evening, the occasion being the seventy-fifth anniversary of Mr. Kelser's birthday. Over one hundred of the members gathered to honor him for his work and worth's sake. After the greetings were extended, a short program was given consisting of addresses by Rev. Hass and Rev. Edwards of the Ministerial association; the bringing forth of gifts which were tendered as tokens of fellowship and a dainty lap lunch, which was served by a number of the young ladies of the church. The Mesdames E. C. Ziegler, F. M. Plank, John Webber and James Kirkpatrick read appropriate poetic sketches of the appreciation felt by the several classes who had brought in the different gifts, consisting respectively of a rocker, a rug, a bath robe and a pair of bath slippers. Vocal solos were rendered by Mr. John Kelser and Miss Jessie Pocock, accompanied by Mrs. W. J. Wall.

## BUYS FORD FOR \$25

When making a professional call Monday, Dr. W. J. Orr of Creston, met three strangers a mile north of Jackson, Wayne county. The men were at the side of the road keeping warm by a fire they had built, and with them was a Ford in the ditch. The men said they couldn't right it, and that if it was put back in the road it wouldn't run. "We are stranded, and we will sell the machine for \$25," they told Dr. Orr. This made the doctor pick up his business ears, and he brought forth the coin. As soon as he paid the strangers they left for parts unknown. The machine was found to be a nearly new one.

## INJURED FROM SCARE

Mike Ostoin, Hungarian of Wadsworth, was fined \$10 and costs by Mayor Boyer, Monday night, on a breach of peace charge. While partially drunk Sunday, Mike so frightened his wife that she jumped headlong through a window in the house, and fell 14 feet to the ground outside. In the fall she was injured internally, and when a physician was summoned, it was found that her injuries were serious. She is little better, though her recovery is expected. Charges were preferred by Nick Bosco, a friend of the woman, who tried to stop her husband when the latter was bullying her.

## THE POTATO CROP IN OHIO

Ohio raised a potato crop this year that will be sufficient to give every person in the state—men, women and children, about a bushel and a half of the tubers. The total crop was estimated by the state board of agriculture in the November crop bulletin at 7,014,256 bushels. They were raised on 96,453 acres, averaging 73 bushels per acre.

## STATE GRADS TO BANQUET

Medina county students and alumni of Ohio State University will celebrate next Friday evening when they will gather at Ye Tavern, Leroy, for a banquet and social time. "Ohio State Day" gatherings will be staged at this time in every county seat in the state and in all of the important cities and in many foreign countries. These celebrations are held annually on the evening of the day after Thanksgiving.

So these modern Alexanders, Rohde, Howell, Smith and Wuchter, batter down the spears and helmets Of their lusty adversaries, Hawk and Lehman, in their tireless, Go 'twixt Scylla and Charybdis, Nothing daunted by the billows, Staying not to hear the siren, Rushing on where foes are thickest, Baring breasts to bloody battle; Oh, the bloody stricken bodies! Oh, the wounded, dead and dying! Oh, the ghastly scenes of carnage, Oh, the ravages of battle! Come the heroes with their trophies, With the glory spoils of triumph, Lifting high their martial voices In triumphant exultation. Oh, these doughty valiant victors! Oh, the hen roosts they have plundered!

## GAME AT WOOSTER LAST OF SEASON

Medina high football team played her last game of the year at Wooster last Friday. Playing that team to a scoreless tie. With six of her regular men out of the lineup and having just lost two games, Wooster was the favorite down there 10 to 1.

A harder game never was played than these two teams played Friday, on a foreign field, minus six regulars, and the crowd against them. The Medina boys played with determination and a fighting spirit that was bound to win.

Leatherman, Swigart, Watters, Max Sargeant, playing their last games, a review of the work of the team will be made next week.

## WHAT THEY ASK FOR HELP

As required by law, county officials the past week filed with the county commissioners detailed statements of the probable amounts necessary to be expended for deputies, assistants, book keepers, clerks and other employees in their respective offices for the ensuing year; also for the amounts expended for such assistance for the preceding year.

In his statement the county auditor sets the figure for next year's help at \$1605.64; expenditures last year were \$1074.16; total amount of fees and allowances certified into the county treasurer for the past year amounted to \$4514.10.

The sheriff's statement asks for \$275 for deputy hire and \$240 for clerk hire for next year. The amount expended last year was \$260 for deputy and 240 for clerk.

The amount asked for by the treasurer for next year is \$1600; amount expended last year, \$1267.66; fees certified to treasurer, \$4670.91.

The probate judge will probably require the same amount as last year, \$600; fees certified to treasurer, \$2,136.44.

For deputy and clerk hire in the office of recorder, \$1115 has been asked for, as against the expenditure of \$908.33 last year.

The clerk of courts asks for \$420, the same amount as expended by that office the past year.

The various amounts asked for are largely arbitrary, being based upon certain percentages of the amounts of fees collected. For instance, the law grants a percentage of 30 on amounts of fees collected up to \$2000; 40 per cent on amounts from \$2000 to \$3000 and still greater percentage on higher amounts. Hence, the amounts asked for in the statements given above by the county officers represent the figures obtained by computing the interest on the expenditures of the respective offices for the preceding year.

## OYSTERS AND FEAST OF WIT

The oyster supper and feast of wit given under the auspices of the Men's Sunday school class at the Congregational church last Friday evening was a very successful affair. More than 80 men were present. During the meal victrola music was rendered by Wynne Boyden. After supper the following toasts were responded to: "Handing out the Handshake," S. B. Stoddard; "Sliding the Backslider Back," Dr. W. A. Nichols; "Putting Pa in the Pew," G. T. Abbott; "Stepping Stones and Stumbling Blocks," C. B. Lowe. The toasts were followed by impromptu addresses by L. F. Garver, A. D. Summers, I. H. Kennedy, and H. S. Fritsch.

## PROBATE

J. W. Harris, Albert Harris, Jas. E. Waite and Jas. P. Loomis appointed administrators with will annexed of Jos. Harris.

Inventory filed in estate of Catherine Shontz.

First and final account filed in estate of A. B. Bishop.

Application for mother's pension for two children filed by Emma Mackey of Wadsworth.

First partial account filed in estate of J. F. Pritchard.

## MARRIAGES

Harvey H. Phelps and Elizabeth E. Squires, both of Seville.

Wm. E. Denny of Akron and Inez C. Phelps of River Styx.

Jas. R. Johnson of Berea and Mildred Brasse of Brunswick.

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

The Carl R. Brown Co., to A. W. Outman, outlot 10, Medina village, \$10.

J. M. Dague to Lillie Clegg, 6.50 acres, Wadsworth, \$1.

Ada A. Frederick et al. to Edith M. Snyder, 1.27 acres, Wadsworth, \$350.

Nancy C. Hosmer to Chester Hosmer, lots 113, 114, 115, Seville village, \$1.

Lewis H. Randall to the Carl R. Brown Co., outlot 10, Medina village, \$10.

Hanshue Bros. new garage on N. Court street is entirely enclosed and the cement floor laid and is rapidly nearing completion. The building presents a very attractive appearance.

## OPPORTUNITY FOR REAL PHILANTHROPY

The state of Ohio through its Commission for the blind is going to play Santa Claus for the hundreds of sightless persons who live within its borders and an opportunity is to be given every resident of the state to help make this Christmas the most enjoyable that these unfortunates have ever experienced.

It is going to be an easy matter to help the blind and the appeal is not one of charity, but one of justice. The Ohio Commission for the Blind furnishes the materials for the making of many attractive household articles, which are needed every day in all well regulated homes. Aprons, bibs, iron holders, kitchen linens, baskets, rugs, etc.

Instead of setting around in idleness worrying about their misfortune, the blind persons make these articles and they are offered for sale through the commission to the public. All the money received from the sale of these articles, except the actual cost of the materials, is paid to the blind worker by the state of Ohio. No profit is sought, no commission is charged, but in its great humane task the state acts as the selling agent.

A list of the articles made by the blind may be obtained for the asking by addressing the Ohio Commission for the Blind, Columbus, Ohio. And every sale made will help bring cheerfulness and gladness to the darkened home and make the light from the Star of Bethlehem shine more brightly.

## GIRL WINS TRIP ON BUCKEYE CORN SPECIAL

Ohio boys are still able to raise more than 100 bushels of corn to the acre, Park Crocker of Granger being the top-notch in Medina county. One Ohio girl, a slender miss of 15, also is able to beat the 100 bushel mark, according to the figures of the Buckeye Boys' corn growing contest recently made public.

These bumper crops were raised in contest for free trips to Washington, Philadelphia and New York, the funds to meet the expenses being offered by persons in the various counties, farmers' clubs and banks. The trip is directed by the state agricultural department.

As was the case once before, the banner acre was in Darke county, where the rich, black soil, well handled, makes farmers rich. Dewey Hanes, once before a winner, is in again with the first acre of the state, from which he harvested 153.76 bushels of corn. The corn was raised by the boy, all work being done by him. The measurements were made by others.

Twenty-one other boys and one girl beat the 100 bushel mark and were put in the top notch list for the tour opening Nov. 29, when six trains over the state will gather up the winners and others and start them on their sightseeing tour through the east. The trip will last until Dec. 4. Gov. F. B. Willis will accompany the party on the trip.

Miss Leelo Jones of Cardington, Morrow county, was the one girl corn raiser. Her record was 102.96 bushels. For three years the managers of the tour have been seeking to induce girls to take part in the domestic science tests and let corn alone, but each year some lively girl takes the work she has chosen and shows the boys how to raise corn.

## CRESTON BOY RIGHTS WRONG

John Bechtel, 19, baker of Creston, was arrested Saturday evening by Sheriff M. C. Miller of Wooster on a delicate charge preferred against him by Hazel Brillhart, a sixteen-year-old Sterling girl. Bechtel was taken to Wooster, but later in the evening his parents, the girl and her parents went to Wooster and the young couple were married at 7:30 in the probate court room by Rev. E. E. Young. The charge against Bechtel was then dismissed.

## CASES SETTLED

Geo. Musch vs. Scott Bennett, action for money only. Settled out of court and costs paid; no record.

Jas. C. Wood vs. A. Van Boven, action for money only. Default judgment in favor of plaintiff for \$155.22 and interest at 6 per cent from Sept. 13, 1915.

In the case of Mary Louise Paull, now Mary Louise Mitchell, as surviving executrix of the last will of Addie M. Jackson, vs. J. A. Hobart, action for money only, defendant has leave to file answer by Nov. 27, 1915.

## NEW CASES

The Medina Farmers' Exchange Co., vs. Geo. Johnson, cognovit note. F. W. Woods attorney for plaintiff and A. Van Epp, attorney for defendant. This case was subsequently settled out of court by judgment against plaintiff for \$122.37, with interest at 6 per cent from Nov. 20, 1915.

John M. Yost vs. Karl C. Hass and Julia Hass, action for money only. J. W. Seymour, attorney for plaintiff.

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTE A NOTABLE ONE

A large and enthusiastic gathering of Medina county teachers met at Leroy on Saturday, Nov. 20, in attendance upon the first adjourned session of the teachers' institute, nearly 150 being in attendance in spite of the bad weather.

The chief attraction of the meeting was Dr. F. B. Pearson of Ohio State University, who delivered two splendid addresses to teachers, one at the morning session, the other in the afternoon. The principal theme of his morning address was that teachers should spend more time and thought teaching pupils how to study and prepare the next day's work and worry less about the present recitation.

"Books, yes, whole libraries have been written about the recitation, but little has been said of assigning the next lesson and teaching the pupils how to prepare it," said Dr. Pearson. "It is a great deal more important that the pupil learn to study and master the thought of the printed page than that the teacher should spend all her time in having recitations." At the afternoon session Dr. Pearson spoke at considerable length of the ultimate aims of the various subjects of the course of study. All through his talks he was followed with the closest of attention by all his audience.

The last part of the morning session and the first hour afternoon were taken up in round-table discussions. At the grade teachers' meeting Mr. A. C. Barnett, supervisor of writing in Cleveland, talked to the teachers about penmanship and explained his system, which is now used in this county. He also took time to answer in detail the questions of the various teachers as to the best way to overcome their individual troubles.

Miss Nettie Bethel of Leroy gave a splendid paper on methods in composition work for the intermediate teacher.

Miss Christena Dannley of Montville gave an object lesson on the teaching of phonics and the use of perception cards in reading. Her work was of a very high character and indicated that Miss Dannley has a bright future before her in the teaching profession. At the high school session Miss Martha Miller of Seville gave a very lively talk on the topic, "First Year German." Miss Mills was fairly bubbling over with energy and one could easily guess that her classes are not allowed to go to sleep. Her talk was followed by a general discussion lasting till noon.

After noon the questions of laboratory work in physics and manual training for rural schools were discussed. Mr. A. L. Henderson of Wadsworth leading the discussion of the former topic and H. U. Simmermacher of Leroy gave a very many useful suggestions for manual training.

The Ohio Farmer Girls' quartet furnished several fine selections of vocal music at the morning session, while the Leroy Ladies' trio, consisting of cello, violin and piano, provided music in the afternoon.

The meeting closed with a rousing vote of thanks to the Ohio Farmers' Insurance company for the use of their auditorium and to the musicians for their assistance.

The next meeting will be held at Medina in February or March.

## WILL BASE SERMON ON IDEALS OF POPULARITY

Interested audiences have been following Rev. H. Samuel Fritsch's series of Sunday evening sermons on "Life's Great Secrets" at the Congregational church. For the next Sunday evening Mr. Fritsch has adopted the unique plan of having the congregation do its own preaching. He has submitted the question, "What is your ideal of a popular man?" to a number of Medina's popular ladies, and the question, "What is your ideal of a popular woman?" to a number of Medina's popular men. The sermon will be constructed on the basis of the replies received to these questions. It is understood that anyone may send in replies and all replies received will be given consideration.

## NATIONAL POTATO DAY

Rennick W. Dunlap, secretary of the state board of agriculture, has endorsed the movement started by farm journal editors throughout the country calling for national celebration of Nov. 25 as "National Potato day" in addition to Thanksgiving. Dunlap said Ohio should be on the "bandwagon" with other states fostering the plan to boost the potato demand.

## CORN TOUR OPENED TO ALL

The Buckeye Corn Special tour was originally intended only for the winners of state corn raising and bread baking contests. But in response to a popular demand, the tour has been thrown open to the public, and every citizen of Ohio is invited. It has become a great state excursion in the interest of education and patriotism.